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Someone (Supreme Court or Congress) should step in and stop the states from tearing down Microsoft. How can it be to the country's advantage to teardown something that will end up costing many, many jobs that which works so well for the general population? It is easy to say the company is too large and Bill gates is too rich but the company and Gates got there by being the best and producing the best a consumer could get for his or her money. As the old saying goes it ain't broke so don't fix it. The average person on the street doesn't care how large Microsoft is or how much money Bill Gates makes that he can't spend anyway as long as Microsoft products work for them and Microsoft products do work. Changing Microsoft is like changing Mc Donald's, Kentucky Fried Chicken or Wall Marts and the American people just don't like change for the sake of change. A case in point that was learned very vividly by Coca Cola a few years ago. The States and especially the States Attorneys General just smell fame and fortune and political gain for themselves (I/we took on Microsoft) because the average Joe and Jane will realize nothing for the effort and most assuredly the States Attorneys General could care less about that. Makes one wonder just how much kickback the now less than successful companies are putting up should Microsoft be broken up for the Attorneys General? If the Department of Justice is finished and the States had a chance to settle and didn't they just should be SOL!

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